

THE COST OF COURT INVOLVEMENT

START
YOU'VE BEEN
ARRESTED

HOME
\$15/DAY*
GPS

If the judge believes you may not show up for your hearing, you can be assigned a GPS ankle monitor pre-trial.

JUVENILE HALL
\$25/DAY*

As you await trial or placement in a group home, you may be sent to Juvenile Hall. This may last for days or months.

Where do you go to await trial?

NO

DIVERSION PROGRAM

Rather than go through the court system, you may be referred to a community program or restorative justice.

Is there a formal complaint?

\$250 INVESTIGATION FEE*

YES

ADJUDICATION HEARING

You either admit to the charges or go to trial.

\$300 PUBLIC DEFENDER*

Are the charges against you found true?

NO

DISMISSAL

No sentence, but you still must pay the investigation fee and your legal fees.

YES

DISPOSITION HEARING

The Judge determines your sentence and assigns additional costs including restitution.

PAY RESTITUTION ORDER

The judge may order you to pay restitution when a victim claims to have lost money as a result of a crime. These cannot be waived, even in the case of bankruptcy or death.

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PAY RESTITUTION FINE

Restitution fines are based on the type of crime you committed. The money is pooled by the state and goes to support victims.

MISDEMEANOR \$25*
FELONY \$100*

PLACED ON PROBATION

The judge may place you on formal or informal probation, with or without GPS. See below.

TYPES OF PROBATION

INFORMAL PROBATION

SUPERVISION FEE
\$90/MONTH*

X

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MONTHS AVERAGE* PROBATION

FORMAL PROBATION

DRUG TESTING \$12*
GPS \$15/DAY*
SUPERVISION FEE
\$90/MONTH*

X

43

DAYS AVERAGE* GPS

You violate probation or await a group home

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\$25/DAY*

X

23

DAYS AVERAGE* STAY IN THE HALL

May be followed by probation

FINANCIAL HEARING

After the disposition hearing, you can meet with a financial hearing officer who can waive or reduce the court fees, depending on your family's ability to pay. Restitution orders and fines cannot be waived or reduced.

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RECORD SEALING

After you complete probation and are at least 18, you may apply to have your juvenile record sealed.

\$150*

\$ Total Amount Due

*Amounts based on Alameda County, CA

